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# I was ANYBODY'S GIRL!

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IT'S A HORRIBLE THING  
TO HEAR YOURSELF REFERRED  
TO AS "ANYBODY'S GIRL!"  
BUT IT'S WORSE BY  
FAR TO HAVE THOSE  
ACCUSING WORDS  
HURLED AT YOU  
BY YOUR OWN  
CONSCIENCE!

LOTS OF GIRLS TALK ABOUT MARRYING FOR MONEY AS IF THEY'D JUMP AT THE CHANCE! BUT I WONDER HOW MANY OF THEM WOULD REALLY BE ABLE TO GO THROUGH WITH SUCH A THING, EVEN IF IT SEEMED TO BE THE ONLY SOLUTION TO A PROBLEM INVOLVING SOME-ONE THEY LOVED...

IS THAT YOU,  
PATRICIA?

YES, MOTHER!  
... COMING!

MY DIARY 2

HELLO, DARLING! WHAT  
DID THE DOCTOR HAVE  
TO SAY?

OH, PATRICIA-I'M SO HAPPY!  
HE SAID AN OPERATION MAY  
MAKE ME WALK AGAIN!  
BUT HE ADVISED A CRUISE  
TO THE TROPICS FIRST TO  
BUILD UP MY HEALTH!

MY HOPE FOR MOTHER WAS CLUTCHED  
BY HANDS OF ICE! SHE DID NOT KNOW  
THAT ALL OUR SAVINGS HAD GONE IN-  
TO HER LONG ILLNESS... MONEY FOR A  
CRUISE WAS AS IMPOSSIBLE AS A  
JOURNEY TO THE STARS! BUT EVEN  
AS I THOUGHT OF THIS...

THAT MUST BE TOM  
BRIGGS! HE CALLED  
TWICE TODAY... WANTS  
TO KNOW IF YOU ARE  
FREE TONIGHT!

OH, BOTHER!  
THAT MAN  
**NEVER** GETS  
DISCOURAGED!



TOM BRIGGS HAD NEVER ATTRACTED ME MUCH, BUT SUDDENLY I REALIZED THAT HE **COULD** BE THE ANSWER TO EVERYTHING! IT WAS WITH TREMBLING HEART THAT I PICKED UP THE TELEPHONE...

HELLO, PATTY! I WAS WONDERING IF YOU'D BE FREE TO DINE AND DANCE AT THE CASINO TONIGHT!

WELL...YES, TOM, I'D LOVE TO!



I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T LIKE TOM BRIGGS!

OH, I DON'T KNOW, MOTHER... HE CAN BE VERY AMUSING! I MUST HURRY... HE'LL BE HERE IN TEN MINUTES!



ALL THE WAY TO THE CASINO, I MULLED OVER MY PROBLEM! MOTHER MUST BE MADE TO WALK AGAIN, EVEN IF IT WERE TO COST ME MY HAPPINESS!

YOU DON'T SEEM TOO GAY TONIGHT, PATTY! ANYTHING WRONG?

NO, NOTHING MUCH!



YOU AREN'T AS LIGHT-HEARTED AS USUAL! WHAT IS THE MATTER?

IT'S ABOUT MOTHER! DOCTOR GLINES SAYS SHE MUST HAVE A CRUISE TO BUILD HER UP... AND THEN AN OPERATION BEFORE SHE CAN EVER WALK AGAIN!



WELL, SAY, NOW! ISN'T THAT SOMETHING! I'VE BEEN PLANNING A CRUISE TO THE WEST INDIES... WHY DON'T YOU AND YOUR MOTHER COME AS MY GUESTS?

OH...TOM! BUT HOW COULD I EVER REPAY YOU?



THERE IT WAS, DUMPED RIGHT IN MY LAP...THE CHANCE TO GET MOTHER HER CRUISE! AND YET I KNEW WHAT WAS COMING NEXT...

NOTHING COULD BE EASIER THAN YOUR REPAYING ME!



YOU KNOW I'M CRAZY ABOUT YOU... HAVE BEEN FOR A LONG TIME! JUST SAY THE WORD AND WE'LL HAVE THAT CRUISE... THEN YOU CAN BECOME MRS. BRIGGS AFTER THE OPERATION! HOW ABOUT IT...SHALL WE SEAL IT WITH A KISS?

OH, TOM...NOT HERE! SOME-ONE MAY COME OUT!



I AVOIDED SAYING "YES," AND I AVOIDED HIS KISS, BUT I KNEW THAT WE HAD SEALED A BARGAIN NEVERTHELESS!



THE NEXT WEEK WAS A WHIRL OF SHOPPING! I TOLD MOTHER THAT TOM WAS MAKING THE TRIP POSSIBLE... SHE DIDN'T SEEM PLEASED BUT SHE DIDN'T QUESTION ME FURTHER! AT LAST CAME THE DAY OF SAILING...

I'VE SPOKEN TO THE SHIP'S DOCTOR! HE KNOWS ABOUT YOUR CASE AND WILL COME TO YOUR ROOM AS SOON AS WE SAIL!

THANK YOU, DOCTOR GLINES!



AS WE SAILED PAST THE STATUE OF LIBERTY, THERE WAS A KNOCK ON THE DOOR OF OUR ROOM... AND ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE MEN I'D EVER SEEN WALKED IN!

I BEG YOUR PARDON! I'M HANK DAVIS, THE SHIP'S DOCTOR... BUT FROM DR. GLINES' DESCRIPTION YOU COULD HARDLY BE MY PATIENT!

OH NO, I'M NOT... MY MOTHER IS RIGHT HERE!



I KNOW ABOUT YOUR CASE... I'M SPECIALIZING IN YOUR TYPE OF ILLNESS! NOW, I HAVE SOME TONICS TO BUILD YOU UP WHILE YOU ENJOY THE SEA AIR!

THANK YOU, DOCTOR... I'M SURE THE CHANGE WILL BE GOOD FOR ME!



THEY TALKED SOME MORE AND THEN THE DOCTOR LEFT, AFTER ONE LONG SIGNIFICANT LOOK AT ME! OH, HOW I LONGED, IN THAT INSTANT, TO BE FREE OF MY SORDID ALLIANCE WITH TOM, FREE TO RESPOND TO THE WARMTH IN THIS MAN'S EYES! TOM'S PRESENCE GRATED ON ME NOW MORE THAN EVER!

NICE DIGGINGS! WHEN TOM BRIGGS DOES THINGS, HE DOES THEM RIGHT! WHAT SAY WE DASH AROUND THE DECK SO I CAN SHOW YOU OFF TO THE YOKELS?

PLEASE, TOM, NOT THIS MINUTE... I HAVE UNPACKING TO DO!



OH, MOTHER... MOTHER! WHAT HAVE I DONE?

I'M AFRAID YOU'VE GOTTEN YOURSELF ENGAGED WITHOUT LOVE FOR MY SAKE! I SHOULD HAVE SEEN... I SHOULDN'T HAVE ALLOWED IT!



I MANAGED TO CONVINCE MOTHER THAT THERE WAS NOTHING TO REGRET... BUT IT WASN'T TRUE! THE MORE I SAW OF TOM BRIGGS THE MORE I THOUGHT OF HIM AS NOT ONLY A BORE, BUT A CRUDE ONE!

YEP, WHEN I DIDN'T HAVE A DIME I KNEW THAT MONEY COULD BUY ANYTHING! I'M A SELF-MADE MAN TODAY AND ONE OF THE LINE'S BIGGEST SHIPPERS!



NO ONE HAD A CHANCE TO SAY A WORD AT THE TABLE WHILE TOM HELD FORTH... MY EMBARRASSMENT WAS HARD TO HIDE! AND THEN SOMETHING EVEN WORSE CAME UP!

I GUESS THAT TOLD THEM WHO I AM! SAY, PAT, I DIDN'T LIKE THE WAY THAT WHIPPERSNAPPER DOCTOR LOOKED AT YOU... I THINK I'LL HAVE HIM FIRED!





OH, YES I WOULD! AS SOON AS THIS SHIP DOCKS I'M SENDING A CABLE TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE LINE! YOU'LL SEE HOW LONG HE LASTS AFTER **THAT!**

HE DIDN'T DO A THING, AND I THINK YOU ARE DESPICABLE, TOM BRIGGS!



DESPICABLE, AM I? **MONEY TALKS**, MY DEAR...IT GOT YOU ENGAGED TO ME, DIDN'T IT?

LET GO OF ME! I CAN'T **STAND** YOU ...OUR MARRIAGE IS IMPOSSIBLE!



OH, NO YOU DON'T! I BOUGHT AND PAID FOR THIS CRUISE...I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU PAID OFF! COME ON, A KISS FROM YOU, AND ALL WILL BE FORGIVEN!

NO...I WOULDN'T KISS YOU NOW FOR ANYTHING!



HERE! CUT THAT OUT! CAN'T YOU SEE THE YOUNG LADY DOESN'T CARE FOR YOUR ATTENTIONS?

WHY, YOU...



INTERFERE WITH A PASSENGER, WILL YOU? I'LL SHOW YOU...



I'LL KICK YOU WITHIN AN INCH OF YOUR...

**TOM! STOP!**



LEGGIO MY FOOT, DO YOU HEAR! I'LL...

YOU LEFT YOURSELF WIDE OPEN FOR **THIS!**



ARREST THIS MAN... HE ATTACKED ME!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?







HE'S A THUG! I'LL GET HIM OR MY NAME ISN'T TOM BRIGGS!

I THINK WE ALL HAD BETTER GO TO THE CAPTAIN'S QUARTERS, SIR! HE IS THE LAW ON THE SEA!



I'M REALLY SURPRISED, DOCTOR...

BUT, CAPTAIN, HE ONLY DEFENDED HIMSELF AGAINST BEING KICKED IN THE FACE!

SHE'S LYING TO DEFEND HIM! SHE'S FALLEN FOR THAT SCOUNDREL!

I BLUSHED, FOR IT WAS TRUE...I HATED TOM BRIGGS, AND I **HAD** FALLEN FOR THE DOCTOR! OH, IT WAS ALL SUCH A MONSTROUS MESS!

NO MATTER WHAT THE FACTS OF THE CASE, YOU GO TO YOUR QUARTERS AND REMAIN THERE, DOCTOR DAVIS! I WILL WIRELESS THE COMPANY FOR INSTRUCTIONS!



IT WAS TIME TO TELL MOTHER EVERYTHING...I EVEN TOLD HER OF MY FEELINGS FOR DR. HANK DAVIS!

HE'S SO FINE! AND THAT TOM BRIGGS! UGH! HE'S, HE'S...



IMPOSSIBLE IS THE WORD, DEAR!

MOTHER DIDN'T SAY MUCH...I COULD SEE SHE FELT THAT I MUST FIND MY OWN WAY OUT OF THE SITUATION... BUT SHE WAS VERY SOOTHING AND FINALLY I FELL ASLEEP...

WAKE UP, DEAR... WE'RE IN BERMUDA! WE'VE BEEN IN PORT FOR TWO HOURS!

WHAT? OH, MOTHER, I MUST SEE THE CAPTAIN AT ONCE!



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

SO YOU SEE, CAPTAIN, DOCTOR DAVIS WAS ONLY DEFENDING HIMSELF!



I AM SORRY, MISS, BUT DOCTOR DAVIS LEFT FOR NEW YORK BY PLANE THIS MORNING! MR. BRIGGS DID NOT PRESS CHARGES!

TEARS STREAMED DOWN MY FACE AS I RUSHED BACK TO MOTHER'S CABIN...

OH, MOTHER! HANK'S LEFT THE SHIP! NOW HE SAID GOOD-BYE TO ME THIS MORNING WHILE YOU SLEPT! DR. ANDERSON WILL REPLACE HIM!



BUT, MOTHER, (SOB!) I LOVE HIM! OH, I'LL NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN!

PERHAPS YOU WILL, MY DEAR!





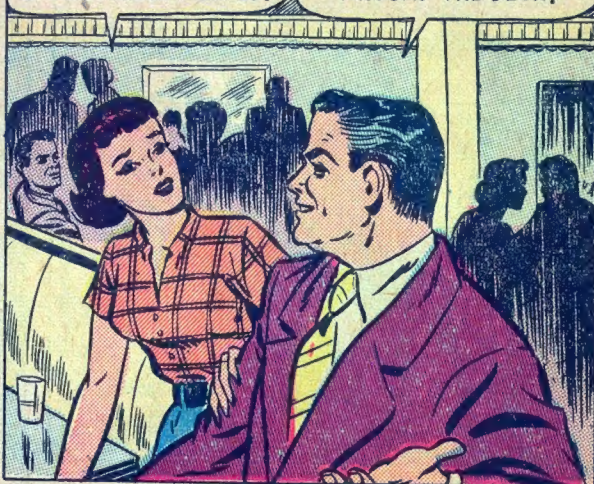
BREAKFAST TO ME WAS A VERY WEARY AFFAIR! THE EXCITED HAPPINESS OF THE OTHER PASSENGERS AROUND ME ONLY ACCENTUATED MY LONELINESS! SUDDENLY TOM BRIGGS WAS STANDING OVER ME...

IF YOU HAVE GOTTEN OVER THE LITTLE SHOW OF TEMPERAMENT OF LAST NIGHT, WHAT SAY WE GO ASHORE AND DO THE TOWN?



I WANT TO TALK TO YOU, BUT NOT IN FRONT OF ALL THESE PEOPLE!

OKAY, YOUR MAJESTY! SHALL WE TAKE A TURN AROUND THE DECK?



NOTHING MATTERS NOW AND I KNOW IT, BUT I WANT TO BE RELEASED FROM OUR ENGAGEMENT! I'LL WORK TO PAY YOU BACK THE MONEY YOU PAID TO THE DOCTOR FOR MOTHER!

COME DOWN OFF THAT HIGH HORSE...YOUR DON JUAN IS GONE!



DOCTOR DAVIS IS NOT THE CAUSE OF THIS! I WOULDN'T MARRY YOU IF YOU WERE THE LAST MAN ON EARTH!

WHAT COULD THAT YOUNG WHIPPERSNAPPER EVER GIVE YOU?



HE COULD GIVE ME ONE THING THAT **YOU** NEVER COULD.. A FEELING OF PEACE AND HAPPINESS!

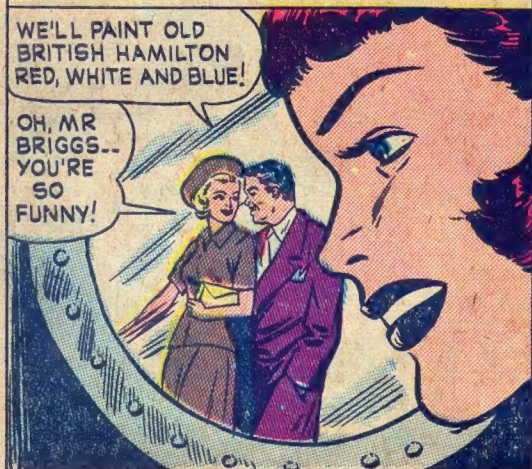
ALLRIGHT, PATRICIA! YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS!



I WENT DIRECTLY TO MY STATEROOM! LATER I SAW TOM BRIGGS LEAVE THE SHIP WITH ONE OF THE PASSENGERS...

WE'LL PAINT OLD BRITISH HAMILTON RED, WHITE AND BLUE!

OH, MR BRIGGS... YOU'RE SO FUNNY!



THE FUN ASHORE HAD NO APPEAL FOR ME! I GOT MOTHER SETTLED ON DECK AND THEN I LAY DOWN IN MY CABIN...

ARE YOU ILL, MISS?

OH NO... I'M FINE, THANK YOU! I JUST FEEL LIKE RESTING!



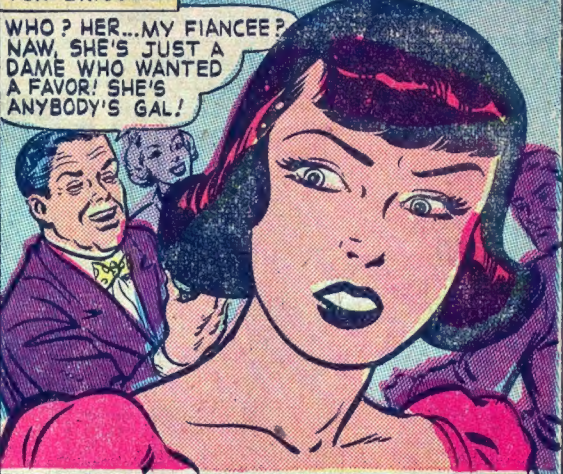


LATER, IN THE DINING SALON, I WAS GLAD TO SEE THAT TOM BRIGGS WAS SITTING AT A TABLE WITH THE GAME GIRL HE HAD ACCOMPANIED ASHORE! I TOOK ANOTHER TABLE...



YOUR ORDER, MISS?

WHEN I HAD GIVEN MY ORDER, A SUDDEN SILENCE WAS PUNCTUATED BY THE LOUD LAUGHTER OF TOM BRIGGS...



WHO? HER...MY FIANCEE? NAW, SHE'S JUST A DAME WHO WANTED A FAVOR! SHE'S ANYBODY'S GAL!

I FLED TO MY CABIN! A STEWARD-ESS HAD WHEELED MOTHER IN. AND AS I ENTERED...

PAT DEAR, I OVER-HEARD SOME VERY NASTY RUMORS ABOUT MR. BRIGGS! OH, MOTHER, I WISH I HAD NEVER HEARD OF THAT MAN!

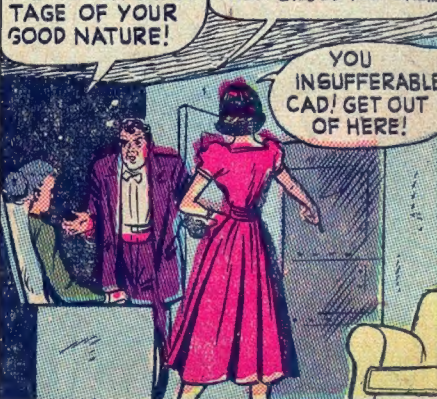


I'VE SENT FOR MR. BRIGGS TO EXPLAIN THESE RUMORS! THAT MUST BE HIM NOW... COME IN!



I SENT FOR YOU, MR. BRIGGS... I HEAR YOU ARE THE AUTHOR OF A RUMOR THAT WE TOOK ADVANTAGE OF YOUR GOOD NATURE!

I DIDN'T SAY THAT ABOUT YOU, MA'AM! IT'S YOUR DAUGHTER WHO WHEELED THIS TRIP OUT OF ME AND THEN JILTED ME! SHE...



YOU INGUFFERABLE CAD! GET OUT OF HERE!

OH, THAT MAN UPSET ME SO! I...OH... MOTHER!



DOCTOR DAVIS WARNED ME ABOUT THIS WHEN HE LEFT.. WE WILL MOVE BOTH OF YOU BACK BY PLANE!

THAT MR. BRIGGS HAS CAUSED ENOUGH TROUBLE ABOARD... EITHER HE LEAVES THE SHIP OR STAYS IN HIS QUARTERS!





WHO MADE THE ARRANGEMENTS AND HOW, I DIDN'T KNOW! SUDDENLY THINGS HAPPENED AND MOTHER AND I WERE IN THE AIR, HOMEWARD BOUND! AT THE AIRPORT WHEN WE LANDED...

HANK!...I MEAN, DOCTOR DAVIS!

DON'T WORRY, DEAR! I ARRANGED EVERYTHING BY WIRELESS!



AT THE HOSPITAL DOCTOR GLINES WAS WAITING! BOTH DOCTORS WHEELED MOTHER DIRECTLY TO THE OPERATING ROOM... I COULD DO NOTHING BUT WAIT ANXIOUSLY!

DOCTOR DAVIS WILL BE OUT SOON...HE SENT ME OUT TO TELL YOU THE OPERATION IS A COMPLETE SUCCESS!



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

YOUR MOTHER IS RESTING WELL...IN TWO WEEKS SHE SHOULD START TO WALK AGAIN!

OH, DOCTOR...THANK YOU! OH! EVERYTHING'S HAPPENED SO FAST!



I KNOW...AND I DON'T WANT TO RUSH YOU ABOUT THIS TOO, BUT...PAT, I LOVE YOU! I'VE KNOWN IT ALL ALONG! YOU NEVER REALLY CARED FOR BRIGGS, DID YOU?

OH, HANK, OF COURSE NOT! BUT HOW CAN YOU LOVE ME? I'VE MADE SUCH A MESS OF EVERYTHING... LOSING YOUR JOB...



NO YOU DIDN'T! THIS WAS **SUPPOSED** TO BE MY LAST CRUISE! I HAVE MEANS OF MY OWN, DARLING, AND PLAN TO OPEN A HOSPITAL!

OH, HANK, THIS IS WONDERFUL! I NEVER DREAMT IT COULD BE LIKE THIS...



AND EVERYTHING GREW EVEN **MORE** WONDERFUL WITH EACH PASSING DAY! MOTHER KEPT IMPROVING, UNTIL SHE TOOK HER FIRST STEPS... SHE COULD WALK AGAIN! I THINK SHE WAS AS HAPPY AS I WAS THE DAY WHEN SHE STOOD UP TO GIVE ME AWAY!



THIS IS FOR A LIFE-TIME, MRS. DAVIS...DARLING!

AS WE LEFT THE CHURCH I SAW TOM BRIGGS IN THE CROWD! I WAS GLAD HE WAS THERE TO SEE THAT I WASN'T ANYBODY'S GIRL...I WAS HANK DAVIS' WIFE--FOREVER!



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SORRY, LOUISE-- BUT ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE AND WAR!

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Dear Editor,

Ever since I can remember, my sister Joan has always been self-centered... As a child she never hesitated to take my toys or influence the other kids against me! She still continues to torment me, and I'm enclosing several pages from my diary which prove this only too well.

L. W.

DEAR DIARY. JUNE 1949

YESTERDAY

DEAR DIARY:

SIS IS ALWAYS TAKING MY BOY FRIENDS AWAY FROM ME! BUT SOMEHOW, I FEEL PAUL IS DIFFERENT! SHE'S GOING TO HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING HIM!

LOUISE, DARLING--WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND? YOU CAN TRUST ME!

IT'S NOTHING, PAUL...

LITTLE DID PAUL REALIZE THAT I WAS ACTUALLY WORRIED ABOUT MY SISTER! SHE WAS IGNORING HIM, AND THAT WASN'T LIKE JEAN! COULD SHE HAVE CHANGED HER WAYS? I DOUBTED IT! BUT, THEN AGAIN, I COULD NEVER REALLY FIGURE MY SISTER OUT!

AND THEN IT HAPPENED! I HAD JUST RETURNED FROM WORK WHEN MOTHER TOLD ME THAT PAUL WAS WAITING FOR ME IN THE LIVING ROOM...

...AND EVERY TIME I INTRODUCE LOUISE TO ONE OF MY BOY FRIENDS, SHE MAKES EYES AT HIM! I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!

WHAT WAS THE USE OF TELLING PAUL THE TRUTH...JEAN HAD A WAY WITH THE BOYS! I WENT TO MY ROOM WITHOUT SEEING PAUL, BUT SOON THERE WAS A KNOCK ON MY DOOR...

NOW LET'S STOP ALL THIS FOOLISHNESS, AND YOU TELL ME WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT!

MY SISTER SAID IT ALL! IT ISN'T TRUE, PAUL... IT'S THE OTHER WAY AROUND!

YOU SILLY LITTLE FOOL! DID YOU THINK I BELIEVED HER? BESIDES, AH, I DON'T CARE FOR BLONDES!

OH, PAUL, DEAREST!

AFTER THAT NIGHT JOAN MADE NO MORE ADVANCES TOWARD PAUL--SHE KNEW--AND I KNEW--THAT PAUL WASN'T IMPRESSED BY HER! HE LOVED ME--AND SAYS HE STILL DOES EVEN AFTER A YEAR OF MARRIED LIFE!

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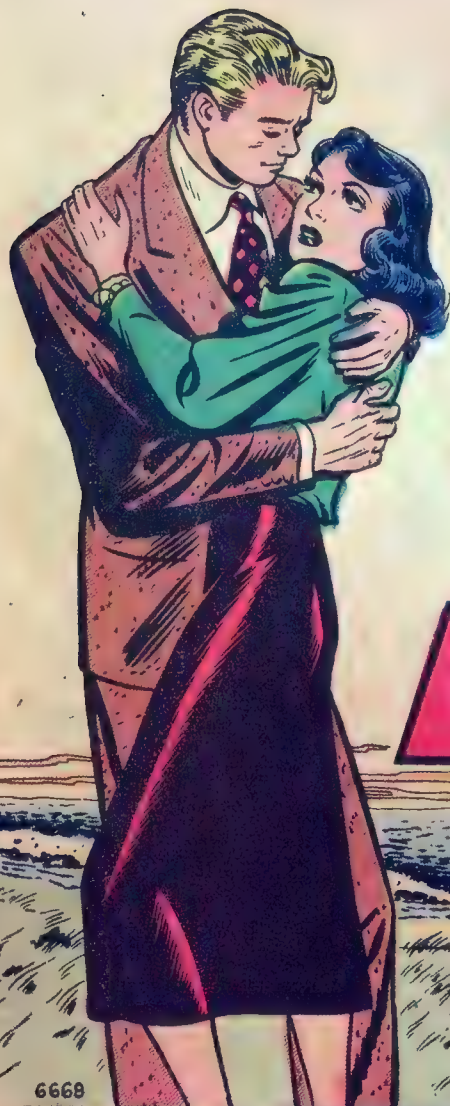
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THERE WERE ONLY TWO IMPORTANT  
PEOPLE IN MY LIFE...ONE WAS  
THE MAN I LOVED!  
THE OTHER WAS

THE ONE WHO COULD  
**DESTROY MY**

**LIFE**  
AND MY  
**LOVE!**



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IT MIGHT HAVE  
BEEN AN ACCIDENT--  
IT MIGHT HAVE  
BEEN BECAUSE  
I *WANTED* TO DIE!  
AT ANY RATE, IT  
HAPPENED TOO  
FAST FOR ME TO  
DO ANYTHING  
ABOUT IT...

I DON'T REMEMBER THE ACTUAL SMASH-  
UP... I MUST HAVE BLACKED OUT BEFORE  
THE CAR HIT BOTTOM! I DIDN'T EVEN  
KNOW HOW LONG I LAY THERE, BUT  
WHEN THE SWIRLING, GROTESQUE SHAPES  
CLEARED FOR A MOMENT, I REALIZED AN  
OFFICER WAS AT MY SIDE...

HEY, FRANK! BETTER  
RADIO FOR AN AMBULANCE...  
SHE'S IN BAD  
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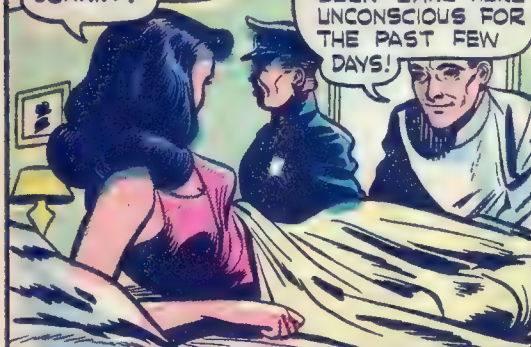




THEN A SHARP PAIN STABBED THROUGH MY BRAIN, AND ONCE AGAIN I WAS SWALLOWED UP INTO THE DARK OF UNCONSCIOUSNESS...

HOW LONG HAVE I BEEN LYING HERE? WHERE'S JOHNNY?

EASY, NOW... YOU'RE PRETTY WEAK YET... YOU'VE BEEN LYING HERE UNCONSCIOUS FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS!



I... I WANT TO TALK! I MUST TELL EVERYTHING!

WELL, OKAY... IF YOU FEEL UP TO IT... SERGEANT, TAKE THIS DOWN!



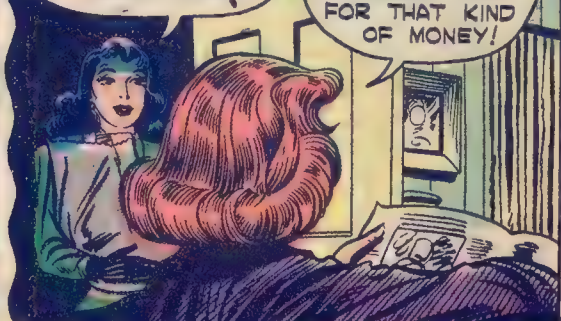
IF I'M TO TELL EVERYTHING, I'D BETTER START FROM THE BEGINNING! I'VE MADE LOTS OF MISTAKES IN MY TIME! I WAS RAISED IN AN ORPHANAGE... THE PLACE WASN'T BAD, BUT, LIKE MOST ORPHANS, I WANTED TO GET OUT INTO THE BIG, BEAUTIFUL WORLD! THAT WAS MY FIRST MISTAKE...



MY SECOND AND BIGGEST MISTAKE WAS IN TAKING IRENE WITH ME! BUT WE HAD GROWN UP TOGETHER, AND I COULDN'T LEAVE HER BEHIND! SHE HATED TO WORK, AND I ENDED UP SUPPORTING HER, MOST OF THE TIME!

HI, IRENE! HOW'S THAT NEW JOB OF YOURS GOING?

WHAT NEW JOB? I QUIT! ONLY SUCKERS WORK FOR THAT KIND OF MONEY!



OH, IRENE-- NOT AGAIN! AND I WAS DEPENDING ON THAT MONEY FOR THE RENT! CAN'T YOU EVER KEEP A JOB? YOU COULDN'T EVEN COUNT THE JOBS YOU'VE HELD IN THE LAST TWO YEARS!

OH, STOP NAGGING ME-- I'LL GET ANOTHER JOB!

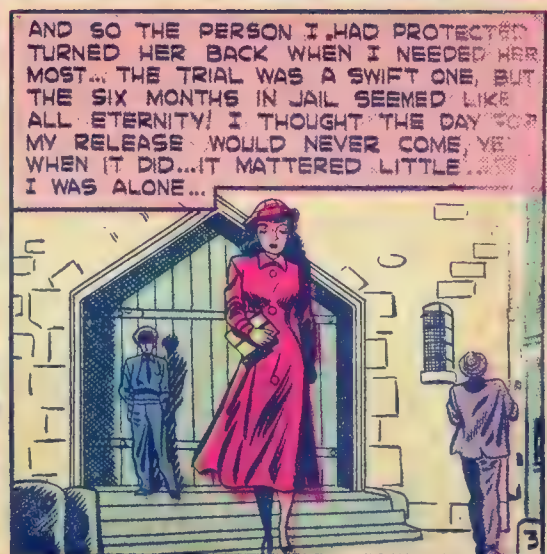
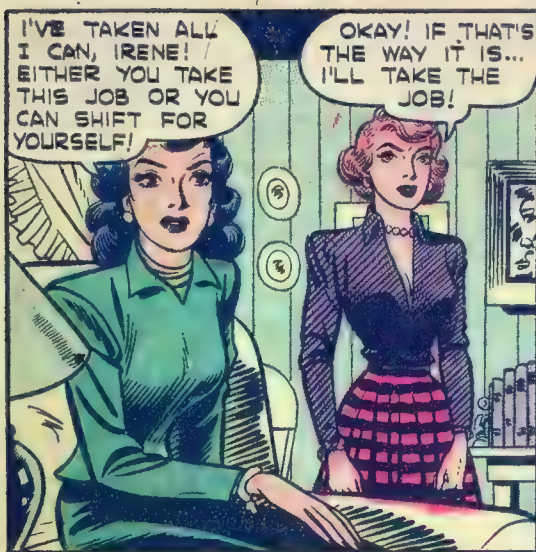


YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK FOR ANOTHER JOB! I CAN GET YOU ONE IN THE DEPARTMENT STORE WHERE I WORK!

WHAT? ME WORK IN THAT PLACE?





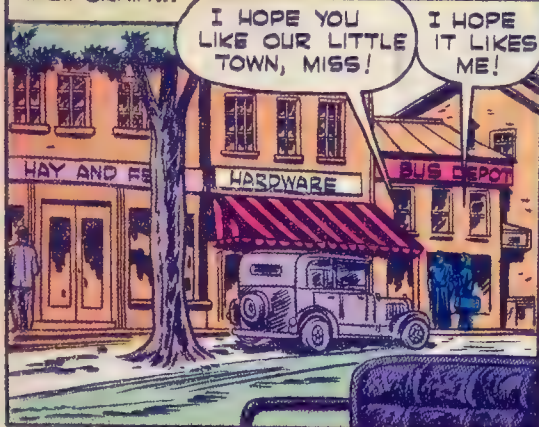




I TOOK WHAT LITTLE MONEY I HAD, AND PUT IT ALL INTO A BUS TICKET, SO I COULD GET AS FAR AWAY AS POSSIBLE! I LANDED IN A LITTLE TOWN IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA...

I HOPE YOU LIKE OUR LITTLE TOWN, MISS!

I HOPE IT LIKES ME!



AS IT TURNED OUT, I LOVED IT THERE! LUCK SEEMED TO START COMING MY WAY... THE SECOND DAY IN TOWN, I LANDED A JOB IN A SMALL TRUCKING FIRM, AND IT WAS THERE I MET JOHNNY AND MY CHANCE FOR A NEW LIFE!

I THINK YOU'LL WORK OUT FINE! IF YOU NEED ANYTHING, JUST YELL!

THANKS... I HAVE EVERYTHING... YOU'RE ALL SO NICE HERE!



THE WEEKS ROLLED BY PLEASANTLY, AND I WAS VERY HAPPY! JOHNNY WAS MORE THAN JUST MY BOSS... HE WAS WHAT YOU MIGHT CALL THE MAN OF MY DREAMS! ONE NIGHT, AFTER WORKING AN HOUR LATE...

YOU'VE BEEN WORKING A LITTLE TOO HARD LATELY... YOU SHOULD QUIT WHEN THE OTHERS DO!

OH, I DON'T REALLY MIND! THE WORK HAD TO BE DONE, AND ANYWAY I DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING SPECIAL TO DO TONIGHT!



WELL, YOU'VE GOT TO HAVE SOME DIVERSION... WOULD YOU CARE TO HAVE DINNER WITH ME TONIGHT? I HATE EATING ALONE!

IF YOU'D LIKE!



JOHNNY TOOK ME TO A LOVELY LITTLE ROADHOUSE OUTSIDE OF TOWN, AND THE EVENING WE SPENT TOGETHER WAS HEAVENLY... THE DARK DAYS OF THE PAST WERE DEAD AND BURIED NOW!

I LIKE BEING WITH YOU, NORA... I WOULD HAVE ASKED YOU SOONER, BUT I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE INTERESTED!

I'M SORRY YOU DIDN'T... WE'VE WASTED A LOT OF TIME!



I'M GOING TO DO MY BEST TO SEE THAT WE MAKE UP FOR THE TIME WE'VE LOST, NORA!





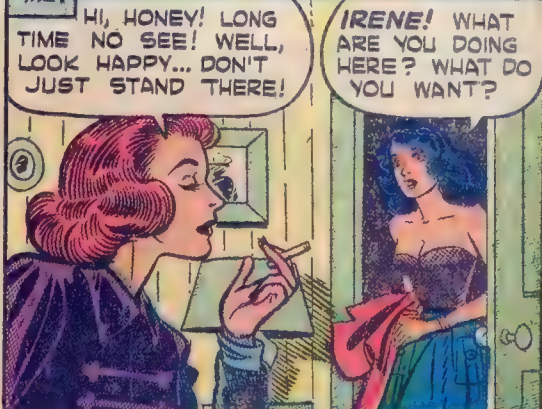
AFTER THAT, JOHNNY AND I BECAME INSEPARABLE, AND ALL OF OUR FREE TIME WAS SPENT TOGETHER! TO ME, JOHNNY REPRESENTED EVERYTHING BEAUTIFUL IN LIFE! I DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING TO CHANGE THAT...YET...SOMEHOW, THAT NIGHT IN THE PARK, I HAD THE PREMONITION THAT I WAS DREAMING ON BORROWED TIME...



WHEN HE KISSED ME, I FELT THAT I'D NEVER KNOWN SUCH HEAVENLY ENCHANTMENT BEFORE...



JOHNNY TOOK ME BACK TO MY ROOMING HOUSE... AND THEN, AS I OPENED MY DOOR, MY GREATEST FEAR WAS REALIZED! EVERY HOPE AND DREAM WAS SMASHED BY THE SIGHT I SAW BEFORE ME!



WHAT DO I WANT? WELL, I DIDN'T LOOK YOU UP FOR NOTHING, KID... I'M BROKE! YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE ME SOME MONEY... ALL YOUR BIG HEART CAN SPARE!

YOU MUST BE CRAZY! WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I'D EVER BE FOOL ENOUGH TO DO THAT? GET OUT... AND DON'T EVER COME BACK!



OKAY, KID, I'LL LEAVE! MY, BUT THAT BOY FRIEND OF YOURS IS GOING TO BE SURPRISED WHEN HE HEARS ABOUT YOUR PRISON RECORD!

YOU WOULDN'T DARE!

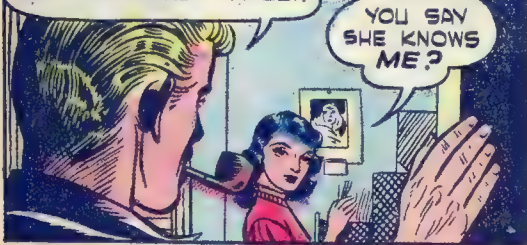




SO I PAID HER OFF, AGAIN AND AGAIN! BUT SHE WAS NEVER SATISFIED... THE STRAIN OF IT LEFT ME ALL NERVOUS AND JUMPY! EVEN JOHNNY COULD SEE SOMETHING WAS WRONG... THEN, ONE MORNING...

DARLING, DO YOU MIND STEPPING IN HERE? THERE'S SOMEONE HERE LOOKING FOR A JOB... SAYS SHE KNOWS YOU AND YOU'D GIVE HER A REFERENCE! IF SHE'S OKAY, I'D LIKE HER TO WORK IN YOUR DEPARTMENT... YOU'VE BEEN WORKING TOO HARD LATELY!

YOU SAY SHE KNOWS ME?



THEN, AS JOHNNY OPENED THE DOOR, A SICK, SHARP PAIN CUT ACROSS MY HEART!

IRENE...

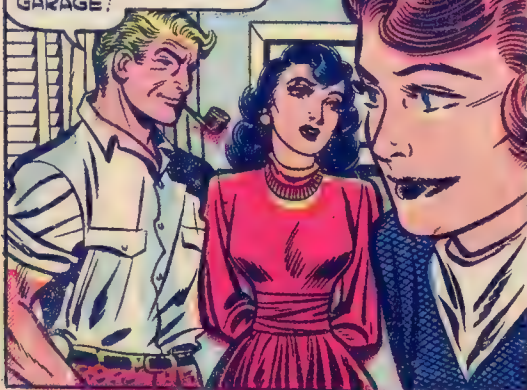
THEN YOU DO KNOW EACH OTHER?

AND HOW! REMIND ME TO TELL YOU ALL ABOUT NORA SOME TIME!!



I KNOW ALL I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT NORA... GUESS YOU TWO WILL GET ALONG ALL RIGHT! SHOW HER WHAT TO DO, NORA-- I'M GOING OUT TO THE GARAGE!

YES, JOHNNY... I'LL SHOW HER!



WHY CAN'T YOU LEAVE ME ALONE? WHY MUST YOU HOUND ME THIS WAY?

CALM DOWN, KID... YOU OUGHT TO BE PROUD OF ME! I'M ACTUALLY GOING TO WORK!



ALL THAT DAY I WATCHED HER LIKE A HAWK, FOR FEAR SHE MIGHT SAY SOMETHING TO JOHNNY, AND WHEN HE DROVE ME HOME THAT NIGHT, I STILL WASN'T SURE SHE HADN'T DONE SO!

SURE IS A STRANGE TURN OF FATE-- THAT A FRIEND OF YOURS SHOULD TURN UP IN TOWN AND COME TO WORK FOR ME! HOW DID SHE KNOW WHERE YOU WERE?

JOHNNY, I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE FOUND OUT! BUT PROMISE ME ONE THING... DON'T EVER TURN ON ME! I COULD NEVER TAKE THAT FROM YOU!



NOW, 'WHATEVER MADE YOU THINK I'D EVER DO THAT? COME HERE!





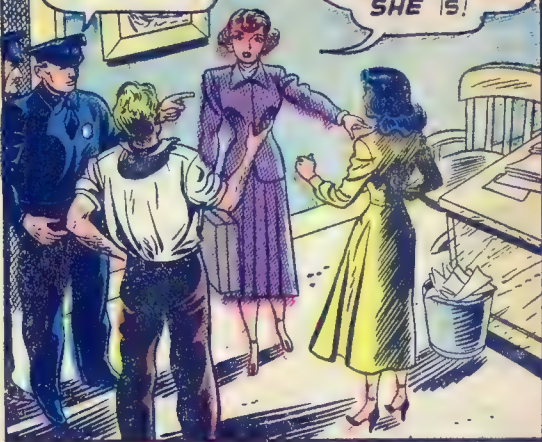
ALL THAT WEEK I FELT AS IF I WERE WORKING ON TOP OF A KEG OF DYNAMITE, AND THEN, ON PAYDAY... IT EXPLODED!

IRENE! NORA! THAT PAYROLL YOU BOTH SET UP... HALF OF THE PAY ENVELOPES ARE MISSING!



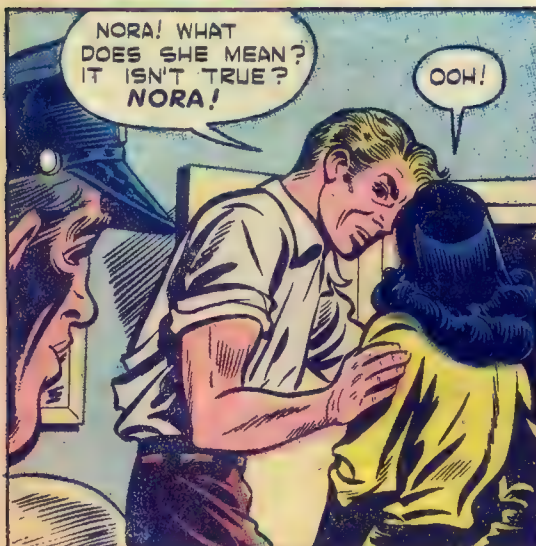
WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS? YOU SEEM TO BE READY TO RUN OUT!

ME? DON'T LOOK AT ME! I'M NOT THE ONE WITH A PRISON RECORD-- SHE IS!



NORA! WHAT DOES SHE MEAN? IT ISN'T TRUE? NORA!

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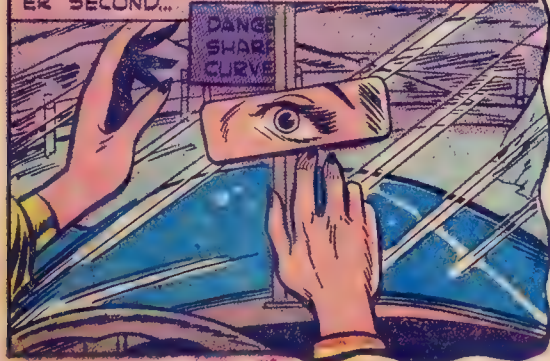


I FELT SURE THAT IRENE HAD STOLEN THAT PAYROLL, YET WITH MY RECORD, I KNEW NO ONE WOULD BELIEVE ME... NOT EVEN JOHNNY! I HAD TO RUN AWAY... I WOULDN'T GO BACK TO PRISON AGAIN!

COME ON! SHE'S GETTING AWAY!



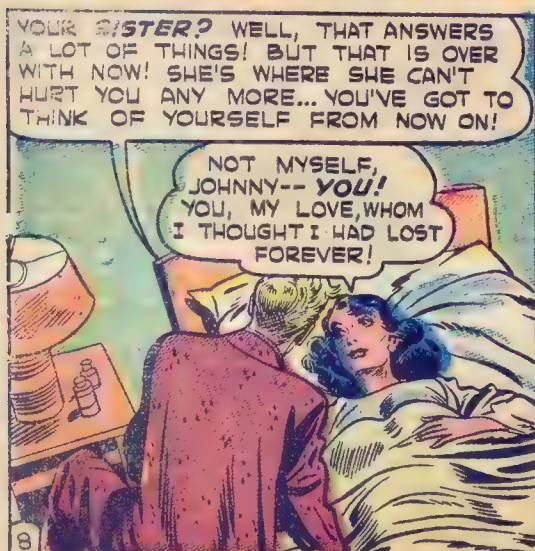
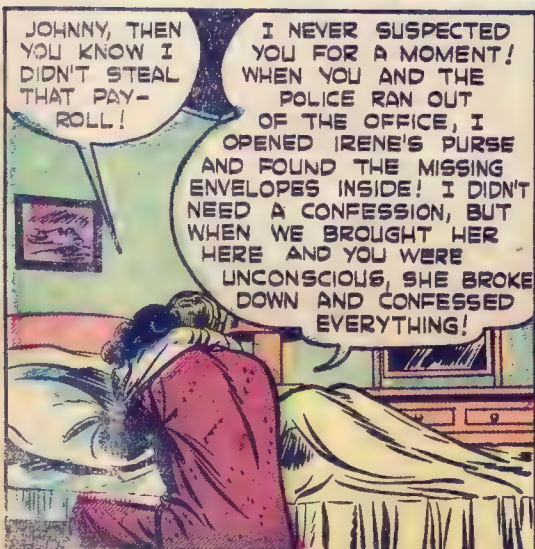
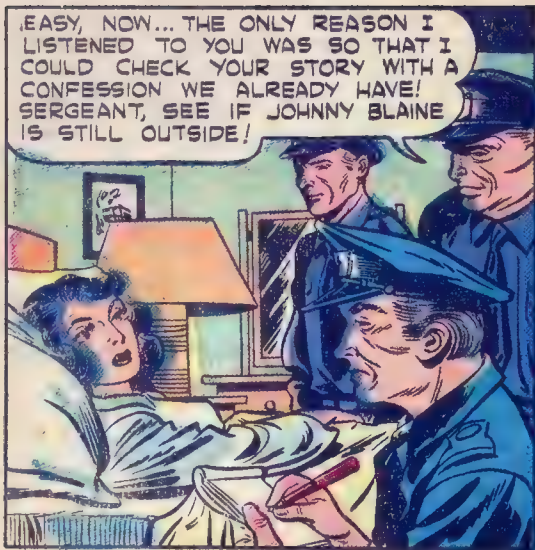
JOHNNY'S CAR WAS IN THE DRIVEWAY, WITH THE IGNITION KEY IN THE LOCK... DESPERATELY, I JUMPED IN AND SPED OUT OF TOWN... OUT ON THE MOUNTAIN ROAD! THE WAIL OF THE POLICE SIREN GREW LOUDER AND LOUDER! AND SUDDENLY, THROUGH MY TEARS, I SAW A SHARP CURVE LOOM UP BEFORE ME! IN ANOTHER SECOND...



THE NEXT THING I REMEMBER WAS COMING TO, HERE IN THE HOSPITAL! I DIDN'T STEAL THAT PAYROLL, BUT I DON'T EXPECT YOU OR ANYONE ELSE TO BELIEVE THAT!









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## I MISTREATED LOVE

**W**HEN mother asked why I didn't bring Paul Sutton over to meet her and Dad at the park, I didn't know what to say. If I had told her the truth, I would have hurt her feelings, and if I had lied, I would have been too ashamed to face her again.

By not saying anything definite, I felt that I could continue the double life I had been leading for over three months. I could continue it and not hurt anyone—at least not for a little longer.

I was in love with Paul and had been from the first moment I met him at the office. I had taken a summer job as a typist in a law firm which belonged to Paul's uncle, and where Paul was serving as an apprentice. Here we met and here we fell in love, and because it was here, I felt that I could never have him.

Paul and I were worlds apart from each other. He was in one world that travelled abroad, enjoyed luxurious weekend parties, and had its name in the Social Register; and I was in another with a father who worked at Anderson's Amusement Park running the roller coaster and a mother who ran the local boarding house. I had read about similar problems in stories since I was a kid, but now that it was my problem, I was completely overwhelmed by its seriousness.

Whenever Paul asked me about my parents, I made up some foolish story about Dad being retired and he and Mother living in a modest cottage along the seashore. This satisfied his curiosity for awhile, but then he began to insist upon

meeting them, and I had to make constant excuses about their being away or having weekend visitors that would be bores to young people like ourselves.

I'll never forget the first day that all my lies began closing in on me, and for the first time in my life, I was frightened to tears. Paul and I were to join another couple to spend Saturday afternoon at a nearby beach. We were driving to meet them when Paul took my hand and said, "Guess where we are going today?"

"Some place I'll like?" I asked eagerly.

"I hope so because I haven't been there in years, and I used to love it."

"All right," I said. "No secrets."

"Well, I called Jim and Dot and they agreed that it would be fun to go to Anderson's Amusement Park. You know, cotton candy, carousels, the roller coaster and so on . . ." He looked at me, waiting for me to share his eagerness, but I couldn't move. I hardly breathed. "What's the matter?" he finally asked. "Don't you want to go?"

"It's not that I don't want to go," I said hurriedly. "It's just that I don't have much fun at amusement parks. I never did," I continued, "even as a child."

I hadn't really lied to Paul this time. This summer, my first summer away from the park, showed me just how much I really disliked it. I found the rides frightening, the food sickening, and the people living in a world in which I didn't belong.

Scenes of a possible meeting

with Mom and Dad at the park were flashing through my mind when Paul said, "Kathy, baby, you're trembling. I had no idea you felt so strongly about it. Of course, we won't go!"

I felt tears of relief fill my eyes, and I knew then that this double life would have to end soon. I couldn't go on deceiving Paul and Mom and Dad much longer.

That night when I came home, Mom and Dad were sitting out on the front porch of the boarding house watching me approach. Mom didn't say anything, but Dad asked, "Where's your date, honey? Don't young men walk their girls to the door anymore?"

"He had some business in the city, Dad," I lied. "I just hopped in a cab by myself."

"Well, I sure wish you'd hurry and let us meet that young fellow," Dad said. "Bring him over to the grounds and I'll give you both a free ride. How's that?" he laughed.

Looking at that wonderful twinkle in Dad's eyes — that twinkle that said I was his life's delight — made me feel guilty and ashamed of what I was doing to the three people I loved most in life. I didn't want to lie, but the thought of losing Paul was too great, and my weak heart was too concerned with the present to think of the future dangers that lay ahead of me.

The night that Paul slipped an engagement ring on my finger was the most beautiful, yet the most horrifying night in my life. Paul parked the car along the roadside and gave me the ring. When he kissed me, I knew that all the lies I



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had told had been worthwhile, and if I had this dream to live over again, I would take the very same steps.

"Do you like it, darling?" Paul asked as he held my hand with the ring on it.

"It's gorgeous, Paul. It's the most beautiful ring I've ever seen."

"Well, then, let's not just sit here alone admiring it—let's share it with others. We'll see how your family likes it, too."

There was a short pause before my voice said, "My family?"

"Yes, darling," he said. "I'm beginning to think that you are ashamed of me. I insist on meeting my future in-laws tonight."

"But . . ." I began.

"No 'buts' tonight," he said firmly. "Tonight they are going to get a good look at their future son."

The show-down had come and I knew it. I began to tremble, but Paul didn't notice my trembling this time as he whistled his version of the Wedding March and steered his car by my directions. He asked no questions when I indicated the road that turned away from the seashore, but as we drove silently down the many little winding streets that led to the boarding house, his whistling ceased. A strange sense of foreboding settled over both of us as I told Paul to stop in front of a grey stone house that had green sign in front of it that read: "Ma Gregg's Boarding House."

Paul didn't say a word when I got out of the car and started toward the porch where both Mom and Dad sat rocking to and fro. He followed me up the steps rather grimly.

Mom was the first one to speak. "Well," she sighed happily, "I know you are Paul. Why Kathy's told me so much about you that I feel I know you already."

"That's very kind of you,"

Paul said, mustering a smile.

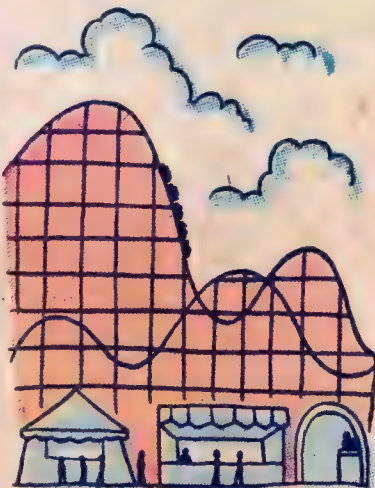
"Hello, there, boy," Dad said, rising to his feet. "What took you so long getting here? I've been looking forward to this for a long, long time."

Paul and Dad shook hands and I stood silently by. I was just waiting for Paul to make a hasty exit out of my life forever. It was just a matter of a few more minutes, I thought.

"Sure been hoping you'd hurry on out to the park before my new paint job wore off," said Dad.

"Your paint job?" said Paul quizzically.

"On my roller coaster," Dad said. "Didn't you know that I



run the roller coaster out at Anderson's Amusement Park? Best ride in the country for the price."

"No, he didn't know," I blurted out, "but he does now. Here's your ring, Paul, and thanks for a wonderful evening."

I didn't wait for Paul to answer as I ran into the house and up the stairs to my room. A few moments later I heard Paul put the car in gear and drive away—and then with my heart and tears I paid for every false word I had uttered to Paul and Mom and Dad. I had humiliated everyone. That night I didn't close my eyes and when

the day dawned, I was there to greet it with more tears.

I heard Mom outside my door, but I hadn't the nerve to face her. I let her knock a few times before I weakly told her to come in.

"You should have told him, honey," she said. "It all must have been a shock to him . . . poor boy."

"I'm so ashamed of myself, Mom," I said. "How could I have done this to you and Dad . . . the dearest parents in the world! How can you ever forgive me!"

"We forgive you, dear," she said softly as she put her arms around me.

"It's just that I've always been so frightened of the park and especially the roller coaster that Dad is so proud of. It symbolized something frightening and evil and I thought I'd never escape from it if I lost Paul."

Mother listened patiently, and I knew that she had forgiven me. Finally, she talked me into going down to breakfast and trying to face the new day with hope. I dressed quickly, putting Paul in a dark corner of my mind and went down to the kitchen.

"It's about time you got up, lazybones."

I turned quickly around and there was Paul behind me.

"Paul!" I cried. "How can you ever look at me again?"

"It's very easy," he said. "You see, I happen to be in love with you."

"But I lied to you."

"Only because you loved me, and it showed me how much you must really love me," he said as he took me in his arms.

"Oh, I do, Paul," I cried, "I do!"

"Enough to go to Anderson's Amusement Park and ride the roller coaster?" he asked.

"Why not," I said confidently. "It's the best ride in the country for the money!"

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# AMERICA'S MOST THRILLING WESTERN ROMANCES

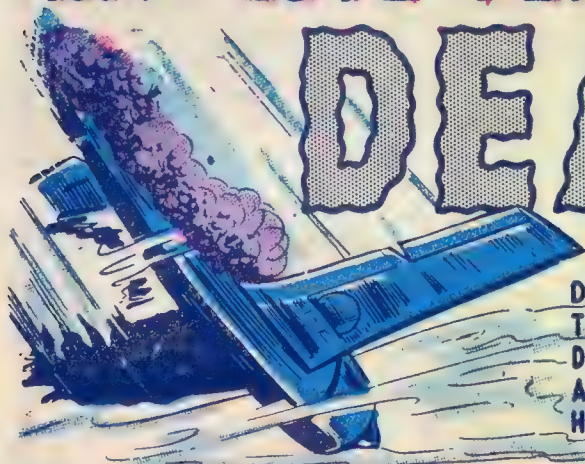


LOOK FOR THE  
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# MY LOVE FLIRTED WITH DEATH!



WHAT CAN A GIRL DO WHEN SHE HAS TO MAKE THE MOST DIFFICULT CHOICE OF ALL? LISTEN TO HER HEAD? OR HER HEART?



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I WATCHED THEM KISS... AND IN MY MIND WAS JUST ONE THOUGHT... NEVER WOULD I WANT TO HAVE A LOVE LIKE THAT, A LOVE IRREVOCABLY MINGLED WITH FEAR!

CHIN UP, BABY! I'LL BE BACK... I'LL ALWAYS COME BACK TO YOU!

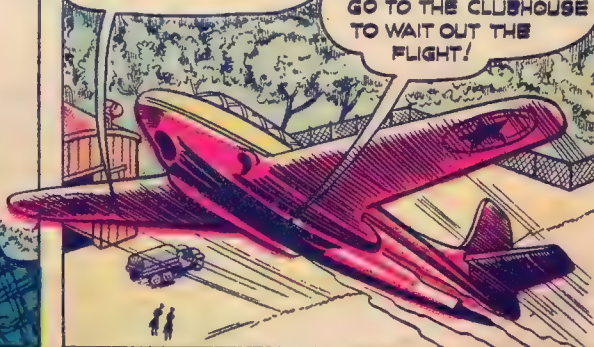
OH, BILL! I KNOW YOU GET TIRED OF HEARING ME SAY THIS... BUT, BE CAREFUL!



BILL TORE HIMSELF FROM MY SISTER DOT'S ARMS, AND THE WEATHER PATROL TOOK OFF! AS THE THUNDER OF THEIR JETS REVERBERATED ACROSS THE FIELD, I KNEW A MOMENT OF OVERPOWERING AWE!

THOSE PLANES... THEY'RE SO BEAUTIFUL... AND SO DANGEROUS!

ENOUGH OF THAT GLOOMY TALK, SISTER DEAR! COME ON... LET'S GO TO THE CLUBHOUSE TO WAIT OUT THE FLIGHT!



HER WORDS WERE LIGHT... YET AS WE WALKED AWAY I SAW THE STRICKEN LOOK ON HER FACE... INGRAINED LINES OF WORRY THAT MADE HER AGE BEFORE MY EYES!

HOW DO YOU STAND IT, DOT? EVERY SECOND HE'S AWAY YOU'RE SICK WITH WORRY... AND THE OTHER WIVES ARE JUST LIKE YOU, TOO!

DO I SHOW IT THAT MUCH, ALICE?



YOU'RE RIGHT, ALICE... WE ARE WORRIED... NEVER KNOWING WHETHER OR NOT THEY'LL RETURN! BUT WE'RE PROUD, TOO... PROUD TO KNOW THAT OUR MEN ARE DOING SOMETHING IMPORTANT ON THE WEATHER PATROLS! EVERY PILOT'S WIFE I KNOW IS PROUD TO BE PART OF THE WORK!

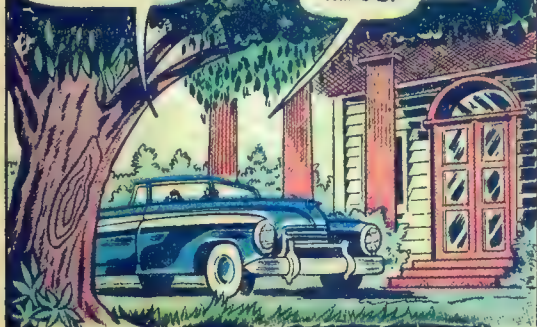




THERE WAS NO DENYING HER WORDS...THE WEATHER PATROLS WERE OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE, BUT I WANTED NO PART OF SUCH A LIFE!

WHEN I MARRY, MY HUSBAND WILL HAVE HIMSELF A NICE SAFE JOB!

I FELT THAT WAY ONCE, TOO... BUT IT ISN'T REALLY THAT BAD! MOST OF IT IS IN OUR MINDS!



SO THE VIGIL BEGAN...HOURS OF FORCED CASUALNESS, MARRED BY A SUDDEN ALERTNESS, WHENEVER A PLANE WAS HEARD... CLOSING IN AGAIN WHEN IT PASSED AWAY!

THAT'S A JET, ALL RIGHT!

IT'S GOING OVER... DOT, ARE YOU AND ALICE COMING TO THE DANCE TONIGHT?

WE CERTAINLY ARE!



BILL'S ARRANGED TO HAVE A PARTNER FOR YOU TONIGHT... ONE OF THE NEWER MEN, WHO WAS JUST ASSIGNED TO THE OUTFIT!

IF HE DANCES LIKE BILL I'LL BE WELL SATISFIED! THINK I LOOK ALL RIGHT? AT LEAST GOOD ENOUGH TO GIVE AN AIRPLANE SOME COMPETITION?



I KNEW WHEN THE FLIGHT WAS OVERDUE, FOR EVERY EYE WAS ON THE CLOCK! THEN CAME THE RUMBLE OF THE JETS, AND I SAW THEIR FACES RELAX INTO SMILES!

OH...THERE'S BILL NOW!

AND JUST LOOK AT THAT BIG BEAUTIFUL MAN HE HAS WITH HIM!

HI, HONEY!



SORRY TO BE LATE, BUT THAT STORM WE CHASED WAS BIGGER THAN WE EXPECTED! ALICE, THIS IS HAL TURNER, MY WINGMAN!

SO YOU'RE ALICE! I THOUGHT BILL'S DESCRIPTION OF YOU WAS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, BUT I WAS 'WAY OFF THE BEAM ON THAT! DANCE, ALICE?



I COULDN'T HAVE ASKED FOR A BETTER PARTNER THAN HAL...HE WAS SO GAY, SO CHARMING!

I LIKE IT HERE, HAL... ALL BUT THE FLYING! I'D BE A NERVOUS WRECK IF I HAD TO 'SWEAT A PILOT OUT' EVERY DAY!

NONSENSE...FLYING IS THE EASIEST JOB IN THE WORLD! BUT, TO CONVINCE YOU OF THAT, TOMORROW I'LL TAKE YOU UP! HOW ABOUT IT?

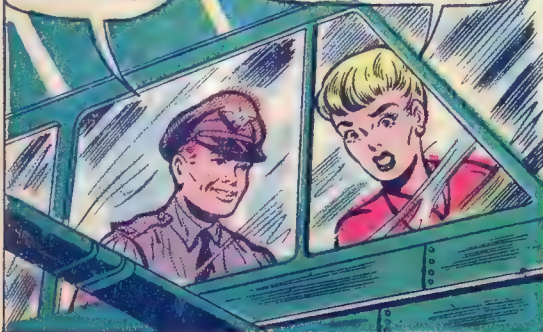




HAL WAS TRUE TO HIS WORD! THE NEXT AFTERNOON, HE STRAPPED ME INTO THE SEAT OF A LIGHT PLANE

HEY, RELAX! YOU'RE AS TIGHT AS A BULL FIDDLE! THERE'S NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF!

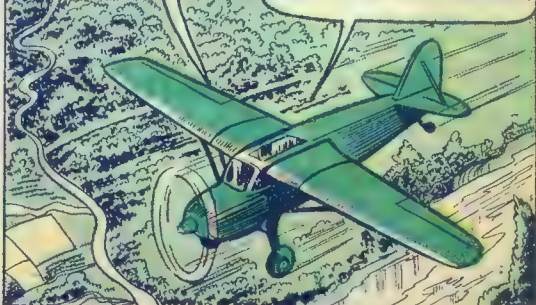
I'M... GLAD *YOU* THINK SO! I'D LIKE TO KNOW HOW *YOU* FELT ON YOUR FIRST FLIGHT! HAL... WE'RE GOING SO FAST!



BUT THOSE MOMENTS OF TENSION LEFT ME AS SOON AS WE WERE AIRBORNE! IT WAS A DELIGHTFUL NEW SENSATION, THIS SAILING THROUGH SPACE...

WHY... IT'S SO SMOOTH! OH, HAL, I LOVE IT! YOU'LL HAVE TO TEACH ME TO FLY!

SEE, WHAT DID I *TELL* YOU? I NEVER COULD SEE WHY PEOPLE GET JITTERS WHEN THEIR FEET LEAVE THE GROUND!



NOR WAS THAT FLIGHT MY LAST! EVERY MOMENT HAL COULD SPARE, HE TOOK ME TO THE FIELD!

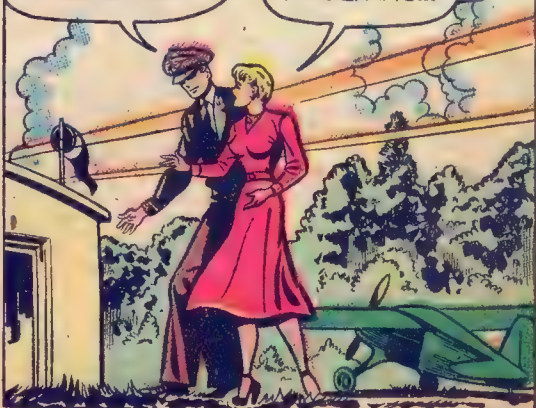
YOU HANDLED THAT LANDING LIKE AN OLD-TIMER! YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE SOME PILOT A VERY UNDER-STANDING WIFE!

NO, THANK YOU! PLEASURE FLYING LIKE THIS IS ONE THING, BUT I DON'T CARE TO HAVE A HUSBAND OF MINE COMING AND GOING WITH THE SPEED OF SOUND, IN MILITARY AIRCRAFT!



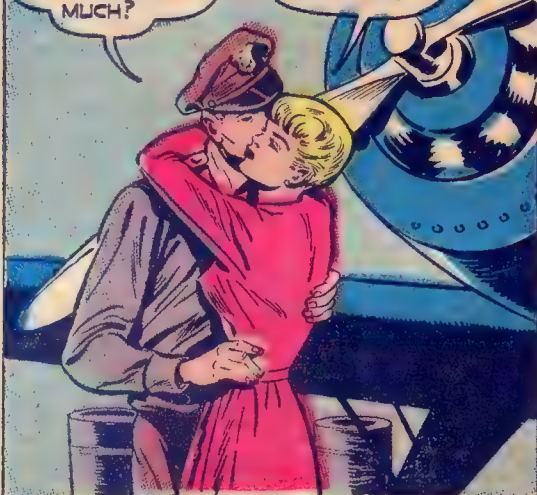
YOU OUGHT TO KNOW BY NOW THAT FLYING IS NO WORSE THAN ANYTHING ELSE... PROVIDED YOU STICK TO THE RULES!

I... KNOW, HAL... PERHAPS I AM BEING FOOLISH! IT'S JUST THAT I COULDN'T STAND HAVING ANYTHING HAPPEN... TO...



TO ME, ALICE? YOU CARE THAT MUCH?

OH YES, HAL, I DO... I DO!



EACH DAY WAS MORE WONDERFUL THAN THE LAST, AND I WAS BEGINNING TO FEEL MY SISTER'S PRIDE TRANSFERRED TO ME AS I WATCHED OUR MEN... AND MY EYES WERE ON HAL EVERY MINUTE!

IT DOES SOMETHING TO YOU, DOESN'T IT, DOT?

SO... YOU'RE BEGINNING TO FEEL IT TOO, ARE YOU?

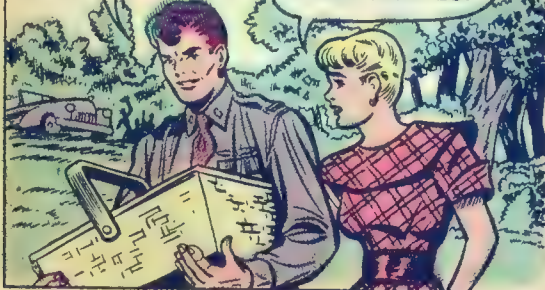




THE PARADE...THE INSPECTION...WERE OVER! THERE WAS A RUSH FOR THE CARS, AND, WITH THE NOISY JUBILATION OF MEN FREED FOR THE WEEK-END, WE HEADED FOR THE PICNIC GROVE AT ORANGE LAKE! HAL AND I WERE AMONG THE FIRST TO ARRIVE...

WE SURE PICKED A LOVELY DAY FOR THIS!

COULDN'T BE BETTER, BUT SHOULDN'T WE GRAB A TABLE BEFORE THE GANG ARRIVES?



IT WAS TOWARD THE END OF THE DAY THAT HAL AND I WANDERED TOWARD THE LAKE, AWAY FROM THE HUBBUB OF THE CROWD...

I'VE ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS LEFT, HAL! I'M...GOING TO MISS YOU, TERRIBLY!

I'VE BEEN DREADING THIS MOMENT SINCE I MET YOU! I CAN'T KEEP IT BOTTLED UP ANY LONGER...I LOVE YOU...MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THIS WORLD!



ONLY THEN DID I REALIZE HOW I'D LONGED TO HEAR HIM SAY THOSE WORDS!

OH, DARLING...I LOVE YOU, TOO! IT'S BREAKING MY HEART TO HAVE TO LEAVE!

THEN DON'T LEAVE, ALICE! MARRY ME...STAY HERE WITH ME! IT WOULD BE A WONDERFUL LIFE FOR BOTH OF US!



AN "AIR FORCE WIFE"? YES, BE LIKE THE OTHERS... ANXIOUS, WORRIED, CONSTANTLY FEARFUL! COULD I GO BACK ON THE VOW I MADE TO MYSELF?

I'LL...THINK ABOUT IT, DARLING! PLEASE GIVE ME A LITTLE TIME!

OF COURSE, HONEY...BUT DON'T TAKE TOO LONG! EACH SECOND I WAIT WILL BE AN ETERNITY!



HOW MANY TIMES DID I TURN IT OVER IN MY MIND? BUT THE FINAL DECISION WAS NOT OF MY MAKING! THAT MONDAY HAL TOOK ME OUT TO WATCH THE PLANES COME IN FROM A WEATHER PATROL...

SAY...THAT BABY ON THE FINAL APPROACH DOESN'T HAVE HIS LANDING GEAR DOWN! HE'S COMING IN FOR A CRASH LANDING!

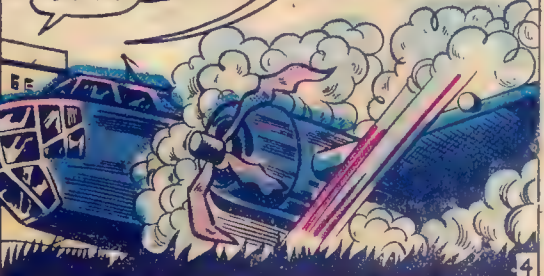
WHAT! OH... NO! HAL, HE'LL BE KILLED!



MY EYES WERE GLUED TO THE PLANE...I WAS STRICKEN WITH THE HORROR OF IT! THERE WAS A HORRIBLE GRINDING OF METAL, THE WHINE OF THE CRASH TRUCKS...THE HEART-RENDING SCREAM OF A WOMAN NEARBY! I TORE MY EYES AWAY WITH A VIOLENT SHUDDER...

EASE IT IN, FELLER... HOLD YOUR NOSE UP...THAT'S IT...YOU DID IT, BOY! YOU DID IT!

I CAN'T LOOK, HAL. I CAN'T LOOK!

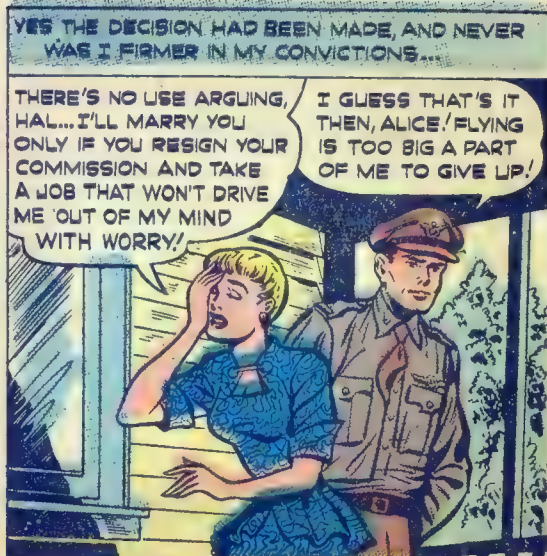






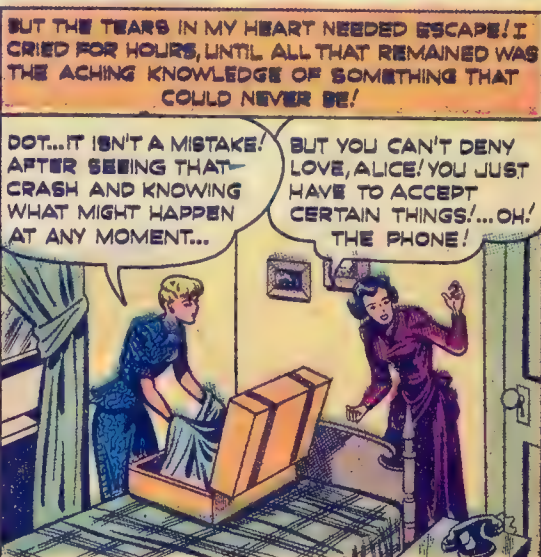
COME ON, ALICE, SNAP OUT OF IT! IT WAS ONLY A SIMPLE BELLY-LANDING, AND THE PILOT WALKED OUT WITHOUT A SCRATCH!

TAKE ME HOME, PLEASE! NOW I'VE SEEN FOR MYSELF WHAT THOSE OTHER WOMEN ARE AFRAID OF... AFRAID THAT SOMEDAY THE PILOT MAY NOT WALK AWAY LIKE THAT! I'M AFRAID I'M NOT CUT OUT TO BE AN "AIR FORCE WIFE" AFTER ALL!



THERE'S NO USE ARGUING, HAL... I'LL MARRY YOU ONLY IF YOU RESIGN YOUR COMMISSION AND TAKE A JOB THAT WON'T DRIVE ME OUT OF MY MIND WITH WORRY!

I GUESS THAT'S IT THEN, ALICE! FLYING IS TOO BIG A PART OF ME TO GIVE UP!



BUT THE TEARS IN MY HEART NEEDED ESCAPE! I CRIED FOR HOURS, UNTIL ALL THAT REMAINED WAS THE ACHING KNOWLEDGE OF SOMETHING THAT COULD NEVER BE!

DOT... IT ISN'T A MISTAKE! AFTER SEEING THAT CRASH AND KNOWING WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN AT ANY MOMENT...

BUT YOU CAN'T DENY LOVE, ALICE! YOU JUST HAVE TO ACCEPT CERTAIN THINGS!... OH! THE PHONE!



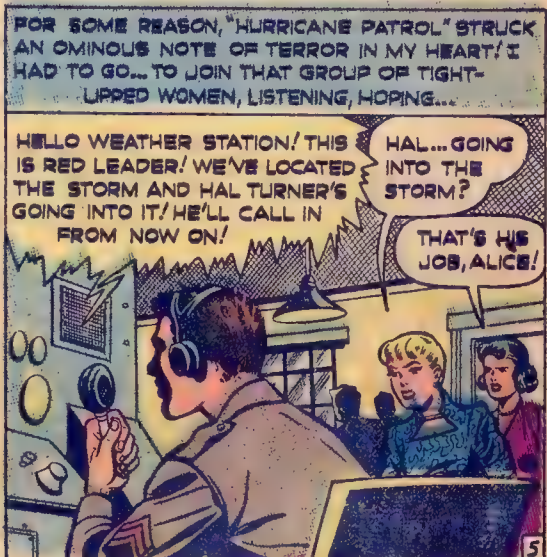
ALICE... WHAT-EVER IS THE MATTER? HAVE YOU AND HAL HAD AN ARGUMENT?

NO... NOT AN ARGUMENT... JUST A CONCLUSION TO SOMETHING THAT COULD HAVE BEEN WONDERFUL! OH, DOT, I WANT TO PACK UP AND GO HOME!



HELLO? YES, THIS IS MRS. COWAN... YOU SAY THEY TOOK OFF ON A SPECIAL PATROL AN HOUR AGO? A HURRICANE CHECK? YES, OF COURSE! I'LL GO DOWN TO OPERATIONS RIGHT AWAY... THEY HAVE RADIO CONTACT WITH THE FLIGHT!

HURRICANE PATROL! OH, DOT... DO YOU THINK... PLEASE LET ME GO WITH YOU!



FOR SOME REASON, "HURRICANE PATROL" STRUCK AN OMINOUS NOTE OF TERROR IN MY HEART! I HAD TO GO... TO JOIN THAT GROUP OF TIGHT-LIPPED WOMEN, LISTENING, HOPING...

HELLO WEATHER STATION! THIS IS RED LEADER! WE'VE LOCATED THE STORM AND HAL TURNER'S GOING INTO IT! HE'LL CALL IN FROM NOW ON!

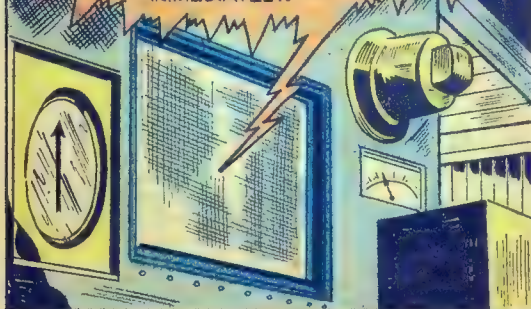
HAL... GOING INTO THE STORM?

THAT'S HIS JOB, ALICE!



MY BODY WAS TENSE, MY HEART SEEMED STILL! MY EYES STAYED RIVETED TO THE SPEAKER ON THE WALL! HOW LONG...HOW MUCH COULD I ENDURE?

HELLO! THIS IS HAL TURNER, IN RED TWO! I'M INSIDE THE STORM AND IT'S WORSE THAN WE EXPECTED! STORM IS CIRCLING TOWARD THE COAST, SO ALERT IMMEDIATELY! REPEAT... ALERT IMMEDIATELY!



VIOLENT VERTICAL CURRENTS... CAN'T HOLD COURSE ANY LONGER! PART OF MY TAIL ASSEMBLY GONE, ALTIMETER DROPPING FAST!

HE'S IN TROUBLE! I HOPE THE TOWER IS GETTING ALL THIS! HELLO, RED TWO, CAN YOU HEAR ME? RED TWO, COME IN, RED TWO...



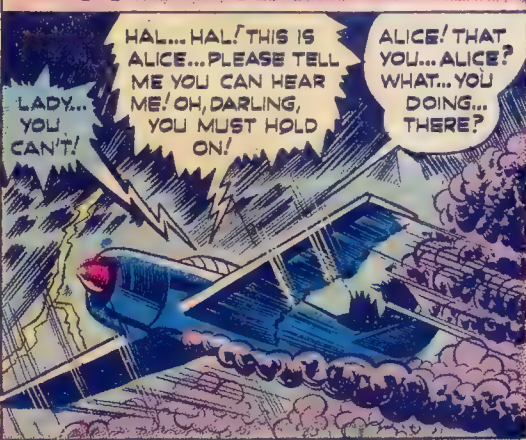
HIS VOICE GREW FAINTER...TORN BY THE CRASHING STATIC! THEN...HIS WORDS TORE INTO MY HEART...

NO... GOOD! CAN'T GET... OUT OF IT! TOO LOW TO BAIL OUT AND WATER TOO ROUGH TO DITCH! TELL... ALICE... SHE WAS RIGHT AFTER ALL!

OH, NO... HE MUSTN'T LOSE HOPE! HE MUSTN'T!



IN MY FRENZY I DASHED BEHIND THE BARRIER, SEIZED THE MIKE AWAY FROM THE STARTLED OPERATOR! THERE WAS STILL SOMETHING I COULD GIVE THE MAN I LOVED...MY FAITH!



LADY... YOU CAN'T!

HAL... HAL! THIS IS ALICE... PLEASE TELL ME YOU CAN HEAR ME! OH, DARLING, YOU MUST HOLD ON!

ALICE! THAT YOU... ALICE? WHAT... YOU DOING... THERE?

THE WORDS POURED OUT OF ME, DESPERATELY, PLEADING... GIVING HIM HOPE, THE COURAGE TO FIGHT, THE WILL TO WIN! AND GIVING HIM MY LOVE, TOO!



YOU'VE BEEN TRAINED FOR SUCH AN EMERGENCY, DARLING... USE EVERY BIT OF THAT KNOWLEDGE! HAL, I'M WAITING FOR YOU... PLEASE COME BACK!

AND HIS VOICE CAME TO ME AGAIN, PUSHING ASIDE THE STATIC... STRONG, DETERMINED, FILLING ME WITH HOPE, EVEN IN THE FACE OF INSURMOUNTABLE ODDS!



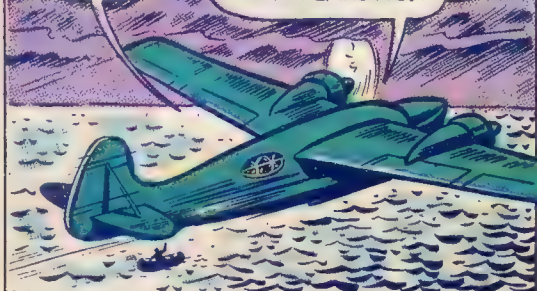
ALL RIGHT, HONEY... I TOLD YOU... NOTHING I WOULDN'T DO FOR YOU! WAIT FOR ME, DARLING... I'LL BE SA... CLICK!...



IT'S A STRANGE BROTHERHOOD, THAT OF PILOTS! FOR THE LIFE OF A MAN THEY RISK THE LIVES OF MANY. AT THAT VERY MOMENT, ON STORM-TOSSED WATERS...

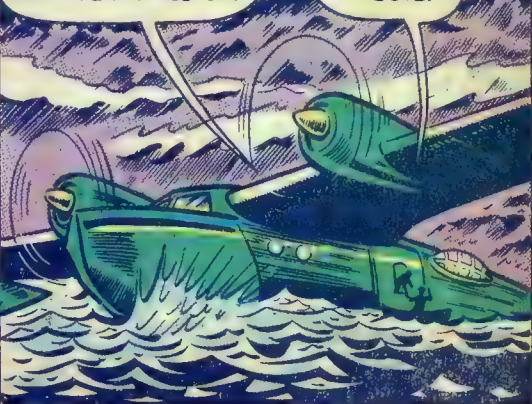
HELLO, PILOT FROM JAY TURRET! SURVIVOR BELOW US AT THREE O'CLOCK!

ROGER...I HAVE HIM IN SIGHT! LUCKY THING WE GOT A RADIO FIX ON HIM WHEN HE WAS TALKING TO THAT GIRL! STAND BY FOR A LANDING!



GET ABOARD QUICKLY, SIR! THIS STORM IS ABOUT READY TO LET LOOSE AGAIN, AND WE'LL BE LUCKY TO GET BACK WITH OUR WINGS ON!

LET'S SHOVE OFF THEN! AND FROM NOW ON MY HAT'S OFF TO YOU AIR-SEA RESCUE BOYS!

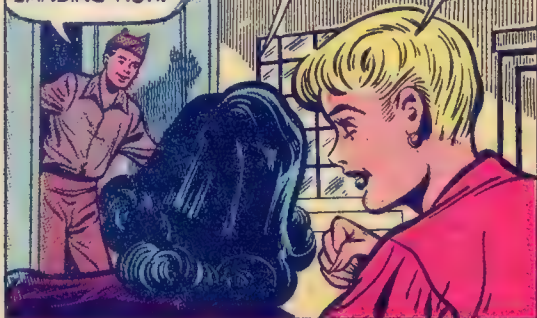


THE CLOCK HAD BEEN TICKING OFF THE HOURS... THE ROOM WAS OPPRESSIVE WITH SILENCE! THEN SUDDENLY THE FUNERAL STILLNESS WAS BROKEN BY AN EXCITED SHOUT!

THEY GOT HIM! THE RESCUE SHIP JUST RADIOED IN... THEY'RE COMING IN FOR A LANDING NOW!

THANK HEAVEN!

I KNEW... I KNEW HE'D MAKE IT!



MY EXUBERANCE WAS TOO MUCH TO CONTROL... I BROKE AWAY FROM RESTRAINING HANDS... RAN DOWN THE RAMP...

OH, DARLING... YOU DID IT! YOU CAME BACK TO ME!

YOU BROUGHT ME BACK, DARLING! THE RESCUE SHIP PLOTTED MY POSITION FROM MY RADIO SIGNAL WHILE I WAS TALKING TO YOU!



YOU'LL NEVER BE WITHOUT ME AGAIN, HAL! I KNOW NOW WHY THESE OTHER WOMEN ARE SO PROUD...WHAT IT MEANS TO WAIT! AND I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR THERE TO BE MEN LIKE YOU! DARLING...I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE...I WANT TO STAY HERE WITH YOU!

ALICE, BABY...

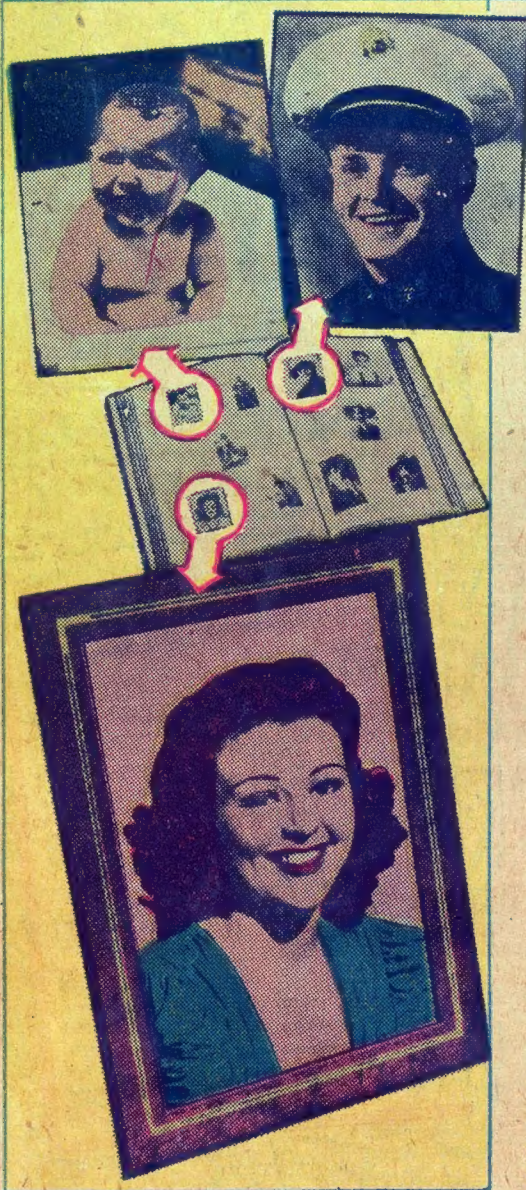


HIS ARMS WENT ABOUT ME THEN, STRONG AND POSSESSIVE, AND HIS LIPS WERE TENDER ON MINE...AND WITH OUR KISS I GAVE MY PROMISE TO LOVE, AND ALWAYS TO HAVE FAITH, COME WHAT MAY!





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You want the finest growth of hair, the cleanest, the clearest and healthiest scalp. That is your birthright. Read the unsolicited testimonials, study our Insurance Policy and Guarantee. We take all the risk. You have the protection of **DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK** - unless delighted.

**ACT NOW BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE**

Nothing - not even *Comate* - can grow hair from dead follicles. So act now while there is still a chance to have thicker-stronger-healthier-looking hair again. Later may be too late! The price for a full 30 days' supply is only \$5.00 (Fed. tax incl.) - less than the cost of a pack of cigarettes a day! Isn't your hair worth the best?

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**HERE IS YOUR GUARANTEE**

## Policy of Insurance

*Comate* is warranted to be made of U.S.P. standard ingredients, scientifically and accurately compounded. You, the user, must be beneficiary of generally improved condition of hair and scalp - or we guarantee to refund **DOUBLE YOUR MONEY** upon return of bottle and unused portion.

SIGNED: *Comate Laboratories Inc.*

## PROOF!

Actual Experiences of Skeptical Men and Women

"I used to comb out a handful of hair at a time. Now I only get 4-6 on my comb. The terrible itching has stopped."  
-L. H. M., Los Angeles, Cal.

"My hair has quit falling out and getting thin."  
-D. W. G., C/o FPO, N. Y.

"My husband has tried many treatments and spent a great deal of money on his scalp. Nothing helped until he started using your formula."  
-Mrs. R. LeB., Piqua, Ohio.

"Used it twice and my hair has already stopped falling."  
-R. H., Corona, Cal.

"*Comate* is successful in every way you mention. Used it only a few days and can see the big change in my scalp and hair."  
-C. E. H., N. Richland, Wash.

"My hair was thin at the temples, and all over. Now it looks so much thicker. I can tell it."  
-Miss C. T., San Angelo, Tex.

"I've used a good many different 'tonics'. But until I tried *Comate*, I had no results. Now I'm rid of dandruff, and itchy scalp. My hair looks thicker."  
-G. E., Alberta, Canada.

"My hair has improved. It used to fall out by handfuls. *Comate* stopped it from falling out."  
-D. M. H., Oklahoma City, Okla.

"Now my hair looks quite thick."  
-F. J. K., Chicago, Ill.

"My hair had been coming out and breaking off for about 21 years and *Comate* has improved it so much."  
-Mrs. J. E., Lisbon, Ga.

"No trouble with dandruff since I started using it."  
-L. W. W., Galveston, Tex.

"It really has improved my hair in one week, and I know what the result will be in three more. I am so happy over it, I had to write!"  
-Mrs. H. J., McComb, Miss.

These are a few of the unsolicited testimonials received every day from grateful men and women all over the country. Once you've tried *Comate* you'll rave about it, too!

**RUSH THIS NO RISK COUPON NOW!**

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☐ Enclosed find \$5.00 - Cash, Check, Money Order. Send postpaid.  
☐ Send C.O.D. I will pay postman \$5.00 plus postal charges.

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**DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK GUARANTEE**



# WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT PIMPLES

## Acne, Blackheads, and other externally caused Skin Blemishes

**W**HEN pimply skin is your problem, the first thing to get straight is that you *can* and *should* do something about it. To develop the attractiveness of your face is not mere vanity. It is an "open sesame" towards bringing the real YOU closer to other people and giving your personality the poise and confidence it needs. Your good qualities — intelligence, character, dignity — all go to naught...are completely cancelled out by a skin that "nobody loves to touch." Remember, the YOU that people see first is your face.

### SKIN PROBLEMS

#### DEMAND IMMEDIATE CARE

Medical statistics tell us that blemished skin usually occurs from adolescence on through adult life. The problem at the adolescent stage is serious enough to deserve attentive care as a family matter. In adulthood, when life's responsibilities are so much weightier, it is doubly important to exert great effort to eliminate these blemishes. And, there is no better time to get pimples under control than now.

### DON'T ABUSE SKIN

The first instinctive reaction to pimples and blackheads is to squeeze them out with your fingers. A bit of experimentation along these lines soon provides convincing proof that this succeeds only in inflaming your skin and spreading the infection. Under no circumstances should pimples and blackheads ever be squeezed.



### MICROSCOPE SHOWS IMPORTANT BASIS FOR EXTERNALLY CAUSED PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

Let's take a look through the microscope to see what's behind those unsightly pimples. The high-powered lenses show your skin coated with a covering which originated from two sources—one, internally and the other, externally.

The internal substances on your skin include dead cells, residue from the sweat glands, and a high quantity of oil excreted by the sebaceous glands. A most important factor in skin disorders occurs when thousands of these tiny sebaceous glands discharge more oil than the skin can use for lubrication. Unless special care is given, the oil forms a heavy film which attracts foreign matter to your skin much as any oil mop picks up dust. These infectious external substances may be classified into three general groups:

1. Airborne materials such as dust, pollens, condensation products of smoke, vapors, etc.
2. Materials brought in contact with the skin, such as tiny fragments of clothing, bedding, cosmetics.
3. Micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi.

See the difference between a healthy skin and a pimply skin in the microscopic reproductions below.



A.

Normal skin



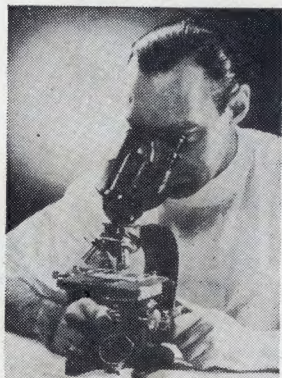
B.

Sick, pimply skin

Diagram A shows a normal-size, smoothly functioning sebaceous gland. Diagram B pictures sick, pimply skin. Notice that the sebaceous gland is a swollen mass of trapped oil, waste and infectious bacteria.

### TRY THIS SENSIBLE WAY

Two sensible aims to achieve in controlling this skin condition are: to clear the pores of clogging matter, and to inhibit the excessive oiliness of the skin. Toward these ends, Dornol Products' research makes available two formulas. One is to aid in thorough cleansing by highly detergent penetration which simplifies the removal of waste and foreign matter. The other is to discourage oiliness with clinically-proved ingredients, and to kill infec-



tious bacteria often associated with externally caused pimples and blackheads.

### BLEMISHES COVERED UP

To remove the distressing embarrassment of these skin blemishes, the second Dornol formula exerts a "cover-up" action on your broken out skin while the medication does its work. This, plus its pleasant odor, will spare you the mental distress which is associated with unsightly, malodorous, medicated preparations. Imagine! You can apply this Dornol formula to your skin by day and face the immediate present with greater confidence in your appearance, while secure in the knowledge that medication is acting to remove old blemishes and keep away new ones. What this "cover-up" action alone is worth in peace of mind is beyond calculation. No longer need prying eyes make you wince with humiliation and misery. Now because of this wonderful feature of the Dornol treatment, you can put your best foot forward...at once!

### SATISFACTION GUARANTEED OR

### DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK

We know what the Dornol treatment has done for others, so we want you to try it at our risk. A few minutes a day invested in our treatment can yield more gratifying results than you ever dared hope for. This is what we say to you: If you are not delighted in every way by the improved condition and general appearance of your skin in just 10 days, simply return the unused portion and we will refund not only the price you paid — but **DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK!** Can anything be fairer than that? You have everything to gain...and we take all the risk!

### How to get the Dornol Treatment immediately:

Just send your name and address to DORNOL PRODUCTS, INC., Dept. 1912C, 4257 Katonah Avenue, New York 66, N. Y. Be sure to print clearly. By return mail we will ship the Dornol treatment to you in a plain package. When postman delivers the package; pay only \$1.98 plus postage. Or, if you wish to save postal fee, send \$2 now and we will pay postage. Which ever way you order, the **DOUBLE REFUND GUARANTEE** still prevails. Don't delay another minute, send for the Dornol Medicated Skin treatment with "cover-up" feature...at once! Sorry, no Canadian C.O.D.'s.



# HAVE A SLIMMER, YOUTHFUL, FEMININE APPEARANCE INSTANTLY!



# REDUCE

No other girdle or supporter belt has more hold in power! The UP-Lift Adjust-O-Belt is the newest, most comfortable girdle I ever had.

## YOUR APPEARANCE! LOOK AND FEEL LIKE SIXTEEN AGAIN!

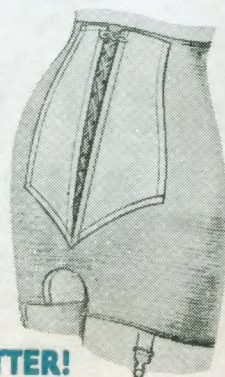
Don't look old before your time. Do as thousands of others do, wear a comfortable, new and improved UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT! The UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT with the amazing new *adjustable* front panel controls your figure the way you want it, with added support where you need it most. Simply adjust the laces and **PRESTO** your mid section is reshaped, your back is braced and you look and feel younger!

## MORE UP-LIFT AND HOLD-IN POWER!

The UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT takes weight off tired feet and gives you a more alluring, more daringly feminine, curvaceous figure the instant you put it on. It gives you lovely curves just in the *right places*, with no unwanted bulges in the wrong ones. It whittles your waist line to *nothingness* no matter what shape you may now have. *It's easily adjusted—always comfortable!*

## TEST THE ADJUST-O-BELT UP-LIFT PRINCIPLE WITH YOUR OWN HANDS!

Clasp your hands over your *abdomen*, press upwards and in gently, but *firmly*. You feel better don't you! That's just what the UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT does for you only the ADJUST-O-BELT does it better. *Mail Coupon and test it at home for 10 days FREE at our expense!*



## APPEAR SLIMMER, AND FEEL BETTER!



The UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT lifts and flattens unsightly bulges, comfortably, quickly, firmly. It *readjusts* easily to changes in your figure, yet no laces touch your body. It gives instant *slenderizing figure control*. It fashionably shapes your figure to it's slimmest lines. *Like magic the UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT* obeys your every wish. *Pounds and inches* seem to disappear instantly from waist, hips and thighs. You can adjust it to your slimmed down figure as your figure changes. It gives the same fit and comfort you get from a made to order girdle costing 2 to 3 times the price. It washes like a dream. Style: Panty and regular. Colors nude and white. It's made of the finest stretch material used in any girdle with a pure satin front panel and made by the most skilled craftsmen. It's light in weight but powerfully strong.

It won't roll up, bulge or curl at the top. It gives extra-double support where you need it most. *No other girdle at any price can give you better support, can make you look better, feel better or appear slimmer.* Sizes 24 to 44 waist.

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## Money - Back Guarantee With A 10-Day FREE TRIAL

If the UP-LIFT ADJUST-O-BELT isn't better than any supporter you ever had, if *You* don't feel more comfortable, if you don't look and feel younger, if your shape isn't 100% IMPROVED, if you are not delighted with it, return it and your money will be refunded in full.

You will look like and feel like this beautiful model in your new and improved Up-Lift Adjust-O-Belt.

## FREE:

New amazing NYLON laces will be sent free with your order. Try them instead of your regular laces. You may keep them FREE even if you return the girdle.

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